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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YOR	RK		
IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER SITE LITIGATION		21 MC 100 (AKH)	
DOMENICO CASSANO, JR. AND DENISE M	1 Casano	DOCKET NO.	
- against - A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL., SEE ATTACHED RIDER,	intiffs,	CHECK-OFF ("SH COMPLAINT RELATED TO THI MASTER COMPLA PLAINTIFF(S) DEN JURY	E
Def	endants.		
By Order of the Honorable Alv 2006, ("the Order"), Amended Master C	Complaints for al	ll Plaintiffs were filed or	<b>O</b> ,
	NOTICE OF	ADOPTION	
All headings and paragraphs in instant Plaintiff(s) as if fully set forth Plaintiff(s) which are listed below. The	herein in additio	on to those paragraphs	specific to the individu

the and specific case information is set forth, as needed, below.

Plaintiffs, DOMENICO CASSANO, JR. AND DENISE M CASANO, by his/her/their attorneys WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP, complaining of Defendant(s), respectfully allege:

### I. PARTIES

#### A. PLAINTIFF(S)

individual a			nafter the "Injured Plaintiff"), is an New Fairfield, CT 06812-0000.
		(OR)	
2.	Alternatively, $\square$	is the	of Decedent
	, and brings this clair	n in his (her) capacity as	of the Estate of
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3. Connecticut 1 to the Injured	residing at 4 Erin Drive, New Fairfield, Plaintiff:	nafter the "Derivative Plaintiff'), is a citizen of CT 06812-0000, and has the following relationship
	DOMENICO CASSANO, JR due to the injuries sustained by CASSANO, JR	herein, is and has been lawfully married to Plaintiff, and brings this derivative action for her (his) loss y her husband (his wife), Plaintiff DOMENICO Other:
4. Services as a	In the period from 9/12/2001 to 2/1/20 Environmental Techician at:	002 the Injured Plaintiff worked for Milro Cleaning
Ĭ	Please be as specific as possible when f	illing in the following dates and locations
Location(s) (	d Trade Center Site i.e., building, quadrant, etc.)	The Barge  From on or about;  Approximately hours per day; for
Approximate	bout <u>9/12/2001</u> until <u>2/1/2002</u> ; ly <u>16</u> hours per day; for ly <u>140</u> days total.	Approximately days total.
☐ The New From on or a Approximate	York City Medical Examiner's Office bout, hours per day; for ly days total.	Other:* For injured plaintiffs who worked at Non-WTC Site building or location. The injured plaintiff worked at the address/location, for the dates alleged, for the hours per day, for the total days, and for the employer, as specified below:
From on or a Approximate Approximate	Kills Landfill bout; ly hours per day; for ly days total.	From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total; Name and Address of Non-WTC Site Building/Worksite:
	his information on a separate sheet of pa	aper if necessary. If more space is needed to specify rate sheet of paper with the information.
5.	Injured Plaintiff	
	Was exposed to and breathed above;	noxious fumes on all dates, at the site(s) indicated
	Was exposed to and inhaled or dates at the site(s) indicated above;	r ingested toxic substances and particulates on all
	Was exposed to and absorbed the site(s) indicated above;	or touched toxic or caustic substances on all dates at
	✓ Other: Not yet determined.	
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6.

Injure	d Plaintiff
V	Has not made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Pursuant to \$405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was denied. Pursuant to § $405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, that was subsequently withdrawn by Ground-Zero Plaintiff. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was granted. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, Ground Zero-Plaintiff has waived her/his right(s) to pursue any further legal action for the injuries identified in said claim.

#### B. DEFENDANT(S)

The following is a list of all Defendant(s) named in the Master Complaint. If checked, all paragraphs pertaining to that Defendant are deemed pleaded herein.

☐ THE CITY OF NEW YORK	☑ A RUSSO WRECKING
☐ A Notice of Claim was timely filed and	☑ ABM INDUSTRIES, INC.
served on and	☑ ABM JANITORIAL NORTHEAST, INC.
	☑ AMEC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,
☐ pursuant to General Municipal Law §50-	INC.
h the CITY held a hearing on(OR)	☑ AMEC EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
☐ The City has yet to hold a hearing as	☑ ANTHONY CORTESE SPECIALIZED
required by General Municipal Law §50-h	HAULING, LLC, INC.
☐ More than thirty days have passed and	☑ ATLANTIC HEYDT CORP
the City has not adjusted the claim	☑ BECHTEL ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL
(OR)	CORPORATION
☐ An Order to Show Cause application to	☑ BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.
deem Plaintiff's (Plaintiffs') Notice of	☑ BECHTEL CORPORATION
Claim timely filed, or in the alternative to grant	☑ BECHTEL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
Plaintiff(s) leave to file a late Notice of Claim	☑ BERKEL & COMPANY, CONTRACTORS,
Nunc Pro Tunc (for leave to file a late Notice of	INC.
Claim <i>Nunc Pro Tunc</i> ) has been filed and a	☑ BIG APPLE WRECKING & CONSTRUCTION
determination	CORP
☐ is pending	☐ BOVIS LEND LEASE, INC.
☐ Granting petition was made on	☑ BOVIS LEND LEASE LMB, INC.
☐ Denying petition was made on	☑ BREEZE CARTING CORP
	☑ BREEZE NATIONAL, INC.
☑ PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND	☑ BRER-FOUR TRANSPORTATION CORP.
NEW JERSEY ["PORT AUTHORITY"]	☑ BURO HAPPOLD CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
✓ A Notice of Claim was filed and served	P.C.
pursuant to Chapter 179, §7 of The	☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
Unconsolidated Laws of the State of New	☑ CANRON CONSTRUCTION CORP
York on 9/5/07	☐ CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF
☐ More than sixty days have elapsed since	NEW YORK, INC.
the Notice of Claim was filed, (and)	☑ CORD CONTRACTING CO., INC
the PORT AUTHORITY has	$\square$ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANY INC.
adjusted this claim	☑ DAKOTA DEMO-TECH
the PORT AUTHORITY has not	☑ DIAMOND POINT EXCAVATING CORP
adjusted this claim.	☑ DIEGO CONSTRUCTION, INC.
	☑ DIVERSIFIED CARTING, INC.
□ 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	✓ DMT ENTERPRISE, INC.
☐ 1 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ D'ONOFRIO GENERAL CONTRACTORS
☐ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	CORP
□ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC □ 2 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EAGLE LEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY
☐ 4 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	✓ EAGLE ONE ROOFING CONTRACTORS INC.
·	☐ EAGLE SCAFFOLDING CO, INC.
4 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	✓ EJ DAVIES, INC.
5 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	✓ EN-TECH CORP
5 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☐ ET ENVIRONMENTAL
☐ 7 WORLD TRADE COMPANY, L.P.	LEVANS ENVIRONMENTAL

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OTHER: \_

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☐ Non-WTC Site Building Owner	☐ Non-WTC Site Building Managing Agent
Name:	Name:
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	Building/Worksite Address:
☐ Non-WTC Site Lessee	-
Name:	
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	

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The Court's jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action is:

	bunded upon Federal Question Jurisdiction; specification Act of 2001, (or);   Federal Officers:   Contested, b	Jurisd	
remo	val jurisdiction over this action, pursuant to 28	U.S.C	C. § 1441.
	III CAUSES	S OF	ACTION
of lial	` '		d defendants based upon the following theories a such a claim under the applicable substantive
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law(s) including §§ 200 and 240	<b>V</b>	Common Law Negligence, including allegations of Fraud and Misrepresentation
<b>✓</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law 241(6)		<ul> <li>✓ Air Quality;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Mask Provided;</li> <li>☐ Effectiveness of Other Safety Equipment Provided</li> </ul>
<b>V</b>	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-a		(specify:);  ✓ Other(specify): Not yet determined.
<b>V</b>	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-e		Wrongful Death
		<b>V</b>	Loss of Services/Loss of Consortium for Derivative Plaintiff
			Other:

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1. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's culpable actions in the rescue and/or recovery and/or construction, renovation, alteration, demolition and all work performed at the premises, the Injured Plaintiff sustained (including, but not limited to) the following injuries:

	Cancer Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to  WTC work:	<b>V</b>	Cardiovascular Injury: <u>Chest Pain</u> Date of onset: <u>5/6/2007</u> Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: <u>To be supplied at a later date</u>
<b>V</b>	Respiratory Injury: Cough; Respiratory Problems; Shortness of Breath; Sinus and/or Nasal Problems; Sinus Problems; Sore Throat Date of onset: 5/6/2007 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date	✓	Fear of Cancer Date of onset: 5/6/2007 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
	Digestive Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to  WTC work:	<b>V</b>	Other Injury: Sleeping Problems Date of onset: 5/6/2007 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date

*NOTE:* The foregoing is *NOT* an exhaustive list of injuries that may be alleged.

2. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries identified in paragraph "1", above, the Ground Zero-Plaintiff has in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer the following compensable damages:

dama	damages:		
<b></b>	Pain and suffering	✓ Other: Not yet determined.	
<b>V</b>	Loss of the enjoyment of life		
V	Loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity		
<ul><li>✓</li></ul>	Loss of retirement benefits/diminution of retirement benefits  Expenses for medical care, treatment, and rehabilitation		
<b>V</b>	Other:  ☑ Mental anguish ☑ Disability ☑ Medical monitoring		

3. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries described *supra*, the derivative plaintiff(s), if any, have in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer a loss of the love, society, companionship, services, affection, and support of the plaintiff and such other losses, injuries and damages for which compensation is legally appropriate.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff(s) respectfully pray that the Court enter judgment in his/her/their favor and against defendant(s) for damages, costs of suit and such other, further and different relief as may be just and appropriate.

 $Plaintiff(s) \ demands \ that \ all \ issues \ of \ fact \ in \ this \ case \ be \ tried \ before \ a \ properly \ empanelled \ jury.$ 

Dated: New York, New York September 28, 2007

Yours, etc.,

M Casano

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#### ATTORNEY VERIFICATION

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO, an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, affirms under the penalties of perjury that:

He is the attorney for the plaintiff(s) in the above-entitled action.

That he has read the foregoing SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT and knows

the contents thereof, and upon information and belief, deponent believes

the matters alleged therein to be true.

The reason this Verification is made by deponent and not by the plaintiff(s) is that the plaintiff(s) herein reside(s) in a county other than the one in which the plaintiff's attorneys maintain their office.

The source of deponent's information and the grounds of his belief are communication, papers, reports and investigation contained in the file.

DATED: New York, New York September 28, 2007

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO

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